TIMES-VIRGINIAN

IN THE HEART OF THE DARK TOBACCO BELT

APPOMATTOX, VIRGINIA

ESTABLISHED 1892

CALVIN H. ROBINSON ..... EDITOR AND PUBLISHER

Member Virginia Press Association

Entered as second-class matter at the Post Office at Appomattox, Va., under Act of Congress of March 3, 1879.

Address all correspondence to The Times-Virginian, Appomattox, Va. Subscription Rate: $1.50 a year. The six months' less than six months 5c per copy. Payable in advance. Advertising rates on request.

NATIONAL EDITORIAL ASSOCIATION 1947 Active Member

PRESS

Editorial Comment

CLEAN-UP WEEK

Next week is Clean-Up Week in Appomattox. Everyone on the merits of having a clean town is necessary or called for. Only a reminder of the duties chosen to do the job. We are sure that our citizens will cooperate to the fullest.

MISSION ACCOMPLISHED

(From New York Times)

Secretary Marshall has come back from Moscow to a united people deeply grateful for his long stand on their behalf. His return is and retreat. In fact, it is justification to the Soviet Government, that we will no longer retreat from those high principles for which we fought the war.

Few in this country expected a settlement at the Moscow Conference. The chill atmosphere of the [illegible] ranged with a hope. General Marshall himself was not optimistic. Nevertheless, even if the results of the long and exhausting negotiations were meager, a bridge may have been laid there by which the barriers at that still separate the East and West can be crossed in future meetings. What we want is on no-notice that she cannot hope to cross on the bridge of appeasement That is [illegible]

There can be no doubt of the high statesmanship with which Secretary Marshall presented the American case. His was the voice of the free peoples of the world everywhere, of all who long for a world of liberty based on the only principles on which it can be obtained in simple language all could understand. Wherever the Soviet representatives advanced an issue which justice seemed to be on their side he was willing to yield. Where he would not yield was against the advance of totalitarianism beyond its present frontiers. If the Russians proved winners, if by [illegible] nothing it was to the truth. From the beginning Secretary Marshall stowered head and shoulders above all other leadership at the conference, a rugged champion of freedom who could not be confused, silenced or logically answered. He does not come to Paris his course at Moscow. He has done so before the world.

SOLDIED DOLLARS

FOR BIBLES

(Bible Society Record)

Wilson Reynolds was with the American Army in the Japanese occupation. He entered service as an Army of Occupation in Japan.

[illegible] mother came to the American [illegible] Society office in Nashville, [illegible] and handed the Secretary five ten-dollar bills, saying, "My hands have not been clean [illegible] and asked me to give half of it to a worthy cause of Christianity." This is a real Christian. He sees the Japanese situation as one that does not call for more fighting—but one in which we must offer them the gospel through the Bible. He knew that the $50 was the means of sending 150 Testaments to the Japanese people.

NOT UNIVERSAL

The St. Louis Post-Dispatch calls attention that Wesleyan Service College may raise funds by appealing to all persons named Smith and observes that the $50 was collected in DePauw, Yes, and all to Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Friends used the initials of his name as a nickname for the late President Roosevelt. He was FDR to millions. But, suppose Robert A. Taft becomes president!

SOME TAX COMPARISONS

From Winchester Star

In order to obtain, for comparative purpose, the tax rate of the various counties of Virginia, the enterprising Covington Virginian mailed a questionnaire to the commissioner of Revenue in every county in Virginia, seeking current information on the tax structure of the 100 questionnaires restored, 40 were returned. The tabulation presents an interesting picture.

In considering the tax structure of one's locality one must consider two factors—the total tax rate and the assessment ratio. Both of these must be considered in order to obtain the true rate. The assessment ratio of most Virginia counties is 33 1-3 per cent. In other words, a piece of property actually valued at $3,000 is entered on the assessment book as having a value of $1,000. Winchester, Frederick and Clarke follow this example in most Virginia counties and use this 1-3 per cent ratio for assessment purposes. Of the 40 counties covered by the Virginian survey only 12 assess property at 100 per cent of value. Taxpayers in these counties have the lowest assessment ratio, 12½ per cent.

The true rate is the rate the tax would be if the property were valued at full, or 100 per cent value. For example, the tax rate in Fredericks at present is $2 on real estate assessed at 33⅓ percentage of 100. However, because the assessment ratio is 1-3, the true rate is 66.6 cents.

In an analysis of many counties where there is a variety of assessment ratios, the true tax rate is the only common denominator. The true tax rate for the 40 counties covered by the Virginian survey shows Surry county to have the highest, $1.50, followed by Arlington, $1.35, and Patrick county, $1.05. Tazewell county has the lowest true rate, 23 cents, followed by Loudoun county with 42.6 and Craig county with 42 cents. The average true rate for the 40 counties is 67.4 cents.

A MACHINE THAT

READS ALOUD

(From Baltimore Sun)

The Bell Telephone laboratories have announced the successful development of a machine which can read out loud. While still in the experimental stage, the device already being hailed as a coming blessing for blind or handicapped persons and for those who simply prefer to sit back with their eyes closed and have someone read to them.

Naturally, those who are physically unable to read should be the first to benefit from the new development of a machine which can read any of applications of the reading machine which come instantly to mind. For one thing, such a device could perform yeoman service for those harassed fathers who are awakened at the crack of dawn on a Sunday morning by youngsters who want the funnies read to them. And at night the same machine could read aloud from "Peter Rabbit" for the forty-ninth time, allowing mothers the time to finish their dessert and coffee in peace.

Snyder & Berman

INCORPORATED

Lynchburg, Virginia

'The Store of Values'

"GAY GADGETS"

Associated Newspapers—WNU Features.

By NANCY PEPPER

Lead a Charmed Life

You're a regular "Superstitious Aloysius" when it comes to parties and school dances. You think popularity is part "good looks" and part "good luck." Well, your new date dress and that new hair-do take care of the glamour department — but it's your own special good luck charm that does the rest. Once you find it, be sure to take it with you every time you want to keep the stags baying.

Perfumed Protection — Lots of girls claim that they owe their success to some special perfume that always brings them good luck. They say it makes them go to a dance in a world of it where it does the most good. Always use it on your dress, never on your skin, or it may end up a mixed blessing. Right Dress — The right dress for you isn't always the newest or the most becoming. Choose one in which you always have a good time. When you're in doubt about a party, that's the dress to gallop in. Avoid the quota of cut-ins. It's your lucky dress, so save it for important occasions when the competition promises to be keenest.

Teen Talismen—Pin your faith to a lucky handkerchief to a shiny new dime in your handbag or to a special charm on the bracelet that you'll be able to face any emergency. We've found a number of Amulets among our scouts and those three carry-all top:

• • •

HIGHER EDUCATION

Teacher—Give me a collective noun.

Kilroy—Garbage can.

—•—

Teacher—What do you know about the hardships of the Pilgrim Fathers?

Kilroy—They came over in nard ships.

—•—

Teacher—Give me a sentence with an object.

Kilroy—You are very beautiful.

Teacher—What is the object?

Kilroy—To get a good mark.

• • •

Acid: Here's how one high school paper described a student of poor character who was always here, there and everywhere:

1000 Watts equal One Kilowatt.

1000 Cycles equal one Kilocycle.

1000 Days equal one Your-Know-Who.

Minute Make-Ups

By GABRIELLE

Tired out? Invited to go dancing? Take a few minutes to relax and, while letting some rich cream seep into your skin, look at the latest football game. There's a small, oval-shaped footrest that folds easily under your feet. Rest it under your feet and feel the tense feet and leg muscles relaxing. You will find these foot-fixers at cosmetic counters.

Ledger-Syndicate—WNU Features.

As to our aid to Greece and Turkey, we wonder what we would hear from Washington were Russia to announce a program of millions to aid to Panama.

Price reduction drive gains some headway.

Mrs. Evelyn W. McLean, owner of "Hope" Diamond, dies in Washington.

OE employees get a pay raise.

How women and girls may get wanted relief from functional periodic pain

Cardui is a liquid medicine which many women say has brought relief from the functional periodic pain of this kind of menstrual periods. Cramps. Here's how it may help:

1 Takes like a tonic. It should stimulate appetite and digestion. Thus it may help build resistance.

2 Started 3 days before your time, Cardui may relieve pain due to purely functional periodic causes.

Try Cardui. If it helps, you'll be glad you did.

LOOK INTO the Facts

CARDUI

Lesson for May 4

Lesson subjects and Scripture texts are copyrighted by International Council of Religious Education; used by permission.

IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D. Of The Moody Bible Institute of Chicago. Released by Western Newspaper Union.

SOURCES OF NATIONAL CONFLICT

LESSON TEXT—I Kings 12:1-5, 12-15, 19.

MEMORY SELECTION—A man's pride shall bring him low: but he that is of a lowly spirit shall obtain honor.—Proverbs 29:23.

He did evil, because he prepared not his heart to seek the Lord.—This is the divine epitome of the life of Rehoboam the king as given in II Chronicles 12:14.

The destiny of the people hinged on the choices of their ruler, so they went down into confusion and sin because of his bad leadership.

Here we have magnified anew the great importance of making right decisions for ourselves and for their influence on others.

Life is full of choices, and the decisions we make determine our destiny both in this life and in the life to come. Since the great issues of our life may hinge on the simplest of choices, it is obvious that we need guidance at every point and in every moment of life.

The picture before us is astonishingly up to date. People were crying for relief from tax burdens. One group of leaders counseled moderation; another group said in effect, tax them if you can and keep on spending. The king, who in a moment of haste had decree in his power, replied to the plea of the people with sarcastic indifference that only heightened the ten tribes revolted.

I. A Friendly Request (vv. 1-5). Governments exist for the people, not the people for the government. Political leaders need to forget this axiom and begin to rule as though they need not listen to the reasonable pleas of the people. Tax burdens rise, regimentation of the life of the nation takes place, and sooner or later the people rise to overthrow the government. It happened in Russia and it is still true in the French Revolution; it brought about the downfall of the czars of Russia; it can and will happen elsewhere if men who rule do not listen to reason.

Rehoboam made at least one wise decision—to wait three days before giving an answer to counsel. He needed this, for having been brought up in the palace of Solomon and given the best training for his place as king, he was quite unable to make immediate answer to their request. Incidentally, we note that much of the folly of Rehoboam is traceable to the neglect of his father to rear him properly. May such a tragedy never be said about you and me regarding our children.

II. An Arrogant Refusal (vv. 12-15).

The picture of the two groups of advisers is a most graphic one and should afford the teacher an excellent opportunity to show young people especially, how important it is to heed the counsel of their elders. Even the youth stands today at the fork of the road. Let us in all kindness and in fact seek to help them choose the right way.

Note the arrogance and pride of the young men in this group. They were not content to make a simple refusal of the request. They did not have sense enough to temper the bitter disappointment of the people by an expression of regret. No, they had to use the foolish whip of casuistry, and harsh judgments—what folly! We all need to learn a needed lesson from their failure.

III. The Inevitable Revolt (vv. 16-20).

There is a limit to what men and women can take—an end to their patience and their loyalty.

People long submissive, ultimately come to the point where they think and when they do, dictators crumble from their self-made thrones. Would that the people of the earth realized the power they have and that they would use it for the glory of God.

Rehoboam felt the power of the people who revolted, others have learned the lesson—it is still true in the world that the rulers "do evil" because they prepare not their hearts to seek the Lord.

Rehoboam, who had awaited the arrival of the delegation an hour in anticipation of taking his place as the king of the ten tribes, was ready, and was at once chosen as the leader of those who withdrew from the rule of the house of David. Rehoboam's sin brought this about, but it was also to the counsels of God (v.15).

It is a comforting thought to recall that back of the confusion which men have created in their efforts to rule the world, God stands in the shadows watching, watching and waiting for that day when the Prince of Peace, his Son and our Saviour, is to come as King of kings and Lord of lords to reign forever and ever. Blessed day! May it come quickly!

INSURANCE is different from most of the things you buy because you must buy insurance BEFORE - not WHEN you NEED IT. When the need comes you will know exactly what you should HAVE HAD. However, it's TOO LATE then to do anything about it. Whether what you should have had is what you have when the loss occurs, depends largely on the knowledge and experience of the agency that plans your insurance program. If that is the best available, you can DEPEND on your insurance to do what YOU WANT and expect it to do.

Our years of successful experience might be helpful to you.

J. A. BURKE & COMPANY

Phone 4902 Appomattox, Va.

J. C. HUDGINS

FUNERAL DIRECTOR

Appomattox, Va.

Phones- Day, 85 — Night and Sunday, 193

Services Within The Means Of All

It will pay you to investigate

MUTUAL INSURANCE

It saves you money

Our Office is at your service.

A. R. HARWOOD

William A. Coleman

REAL ESTATE APPOMATTOX, VA.

Lee Theatre Office Bldg.

FARMS, HOUSES, TIMBERLAND

Attractive Lots in New Residential Section for Sale.

ORGANIZED IN 1865

THE

First National Bank of Lynchburg

OFFICERS

J. D. Owen, President

J. T. Neell, Jr., Vice President L. W. Horton, Assistant Cashier

J. L. Jones, Vice President S. D. Morrissett, Assistant Cashier

J. L. Nicholas, Cashier T. R. Hawes, Assistant Cashier

CAPITAL $1,000,000

Member Federal Reserve System, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

THE OLD, BIG STRONG BANK

YOUR SAVINGS ACCOUNT SOLICITED

Each Account Insured

Up To $5,000

By an Instrumentality of the U. S. Government

Current Dividend Rate 2% Per Annum

Lynchburg Federal Savings and Loan Association

P. G. COSBY, JR.

Executive Vice- President

616 Church Street

Lynchburg, Virginia

Rocks News

Rocks, April 28.- Farmers are busy with seasonal work.

Mr. and Mrs. Rueben Garrett and daughters, of Amherst, were guests Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Ranson last Sunday afternoon.

William Carroll Ranson spent last Sunday with Joe Almond.

Quite a number from Rocks attended the B. T. U. rally at Liberty Friday night.

Mrs. Helen Inge went to Danville Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Roach and children and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Roach motored to Waynesboro Sunday to see Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Williams and son, Larry Steve.

Mrs. James R. Taylor and twin girls have returned home from the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dickerson and Miss Cassie Baldwin went to Danville Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Ranson and daughter, Mary Willie, went to Darlington Heights Sunday to attend the birthday dinner given her mother, Mrs. T. A. Foster.

Rev. and Mrs. C. G. Carter were dinner guests of Cassie Baldwin on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Blass Ranson and children were visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Ranson awhile Saturday night.

Mrs. L. K. Almond called to see Mrs. L. E. Dickerson on Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. C. S. Ranson and daughter, Eleanor Faye, called to see Mrs. Jerry Smith at Appomattox Thursday afternoon.

TEEN-AGE TRIUMPHS

By Stookie Allen

WINNER!
JULES IS THE ENVY OF ALL THE LADS IN HIS ST. LOUIS NEIGHBORHOOD. UNABLE TO GO TO COLLEGE BECAUSE OF LACK OF FUNDS, HE SET TO WORK AND WON A $2,400 SCHOLARSHIP IN THE ANNUAL SCIENCE TALENT SEARCH CONTEST.
WOW! WHAT IN THA-
Jules Kernen
JULES WON BY CATALOGUING THE 945 PLANTS AND ANIMALS HE FOUND IN A 5-ACRE VACANT LOT. WANT TO ENTER THIS CONTEST? WRITE TO TEEN-AGE TRIUMPHS FOR INFORMATION.

Youth Is Two Inches Shorter Than Twin, Awarded $12,000

DETROIT. — Donald Donnelly is two inches shorter than his 12-year-old twin brother and a circuit court jury awarded him $6,000 for each inch.

Ronald Donnelly has gained 2 inches and 13 pounds over Donald since the latter fell on a washroom floor in a theater in 1942.

Mrs. Ethel Donnelly, mother of the twins, sued for $50,000, charging that Donald's growth was retarded by the injury.

A jury of seven men and five women in Circuit Judge Adolph F. Marschner's court awarded damages of $12,000.

Average American City Is Called Obsolete as '10 Auto

NEW YORK. — The average American city is "as obsolete as a 1910 automobile."

That is the opinion of Dr. Luther Gulick, president of the Institute of Public Administration. He told 26 newspapermen, here for a seminar on municipal affairs, that buildings, streets, utilities and transit systems were among the offenders.

He said the central political problem in American cities was caused by the "lazy, preoccupied, irresponsible, selfish and uneducated American citizen" who does not contribute to government but is ready to criticize it.

British Navy Officer Found Guilty of Being Too Friendly

LONDON.—A Royal naval court-martial has ordered Lt. John Wardle dismissed from his command for prejudicing naval discipline. He was convicted of entertaining his minesweeper crew of five at Christmas luncheon at sea.

The prosecution said commanding officers had been told not to entertain enlisted men in officers' messes at Christmas because "trouble sometimes results."

Wardle told the court he had spent every Christmas afloat since 1942 and had taken part in several similar celebrations.

The verdict ordered him to be severely reprimanded and to forfeit three months of his seniority.

Richwood

Richwood, May 1.- Willie Pugh, from near Oakville, has purchased the Buchanan property, east of Route 26, and hopes to build and move in with his family by early fall.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Powell were in Lynchburg on business Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Guinn were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cordell Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Ward and Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Wilburn were in Lynchburg Saturday.

Mrs. Ray Godsey and children are spending some time with Ray's mother, who is sick at her home in Appomattox.

A revival will be held at Wesley Chapel Church during the week beginning May 11. Rev. Paul Mattox of Lynchburg will officiate, assisted by Mr. Ralph Cullen. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Miss Stella Wooldridge was hostess to George T. and Miss Mary Cawthorne Sunday evening.

Mrs. Aubrey Fleshman is reported to be improving in a Lynchburg hospital, where she recently underwent a serious operation.

Mrs. Andrew Evans has returned to her home in Newark, N. J. She has been spending a short vacation with Mr. and Mrs. Max Powell.

Benford Fleshman, of Blue Ridge Va., a nephew of Mrs. Leonard Blackwell, was a guest of the Blackwell's over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Potter and Mrs. Harold Davenport, son-in-law and daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cordell, drove to Elizabethan, Tenn. Sunday evening to visit relatives. The Potters returned on Monday, leaving Mrs. Davenport for an extended visit.

Tornado levels small town in Missouri.

Sunday, May 11, is Mothers Day.

Next week: Clean-Up Week.

NEXT WEEK IS CLEAN-UP WEEK IN APPOMATTOX! "OPEN HOUSE" ON FRIDAY, MAY 9. VISIT US!

New Home Beauty The Easy Way

To renew the attractiveness of your home is so economical, if you use our specialized dry cleaning service. Timely now, too!

THE CLEANERS

PHONE 8702 Appomattox, Va.

BRED TO LAY CHICKS

Va. U. S. Approved Pullorum Passed

ABUNDANT VITALITY .. RAPID GROWTH .. EARLY MATURITY .. High Egg Production

OUR FAMOUS R. O. P. MATINGS "Parmenter Reds"

275 to 300-R.O.P. Sired.. 16.50-100
Holtzapple's White Rocks
250 to 312-R.O.P. Sired 16.50-100
Big Type English Leghorns
265to 300-Pedigree Sired 16.50-100

OUR SELECT MATINGS

New Hampshire Reds .. 14.50-100
Barred Rocks 14.50-100
White Rocks 14.50-100

STRAIGHT RUN, PULLET CHICKS OR COCKERELS .... STARTED CHICKS

804 D'NWIDDIE STREET MASON'S HATCHERY LYNCHBURG, VA. TELEPHONE 3988

To The Voters of Appomattox County

Qualifications of Voters For 1947 Elections:

VETERANS:

The Constitution of Virginia cancels and annulls the poll taxes of a veteran whose discharge was not dishonorable for the year of his discharge, and for the three years next preceding the discharge.

Hence a veteran who was honorably discharged in 1945 was forgiven for his 1942, 1943, 1944 and 1945 poll taxes, so he will have to pay his 1946 poll taxes six months prior to the general election in November to be qualified to register and vote in 1947.

A veteran who was honorably discharged in 1946 will only have to register 30 days before the primary to vote in the primary and in the general elections. He will not have to pay any poll taxes to vote in 1947.

NON-VETERANS:

All persons (except veterans) must pay 1944, 1945 and 1946 poll taxes six months prior to the general election in order to be qualified to register and vote in the primary or general election in 1947.

EXCEPT:

PERSONS MOVING INTO THE STATE:

Persons moving into the state must pay their poll taxes for the year they moved into the state and the years which follow (not to exceed three) in order to register and vote.

Thus a person who moves into Virginia in November, 1945, must pay his 1945 and his 1946 poll taxes in order to register and vote in 1947.

PERSONS BECOMING 21 YEARS OF AGE:

A person becoming of age in 1947, after January 1, may register and vote without paying any capitation tax in the primary and general elections in 1947.

If a person became of age in 1946 and delays registering until 1947, in order to be eligible to register in 1947 he must first pay his 1947 capitation tax, since the Constitution provides "If a person becomes of age at such a time that no capitation tax shall have been assessable against him for the year preceding the year in which he offers to register, such person must pay the first year's capitation tax assessable against him."

REGISTRATION:

Attention is called to all persons, who have not registered, to the provision of the election laws which require the registration books to be closed thirty days before the primary and thirty days before the general election.

DEADLINE FOR PAYMENT: SATURDAY MAY 3, to vote in this year's primary and general election.

R. L. BURKE, Treasurer

Waiting for Electric Service?

"Folks,

for many months now, the extension of electric service to rural homes and farms has had me on the proverbial spot. I'd like to be out there helping you with your work and making your family life easier, brighter, happier. That's my job and I'm as anxious to do it as you are to have me. But . . . and this is a *reason* not an excuse . . . I can't just hop over the miles from Vepco generators to your home or farm. I've got to come by way of transformers, meters, wires, insulators, poles. These items are still on the short or unavailable list. But things are bound to be better soon . . . so thanks for your patience . . . and I hope I'll be out your way before long!"

Reddy Kilowatt

VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY